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FOR: PEPTIDE INHIBITORS OF SMAC PROTEIN BINDING TO  
INHIBITOR OF APOPTOSIS PROTEINS (IAP)

Commissioner for Patents  
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

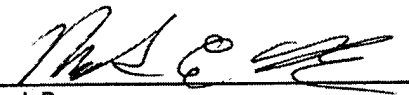
Sir:

The Office Action of July 26, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on September 26, 2007. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$1050 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis.

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